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## SALONIKI READY FOR ATTACK BY THE TEUTONIC FORCES

**FRENCH COMMANDER AT SALONIKI DECLARES THAT THE PLACE IS VIRTUALLY IMPREGNABLE AND DEFENDERS ARE READY FOR ANY ATTACK.**

**British Forces in Turkish Asia Said to Have Turned Back Turkish Advancing Forces with Heavy Losses at Kuet-el-Amara, Eight Hundred Turks Being Killed or Wounded—Two Classes of Greek Troops Ordered Disbanded by Royal Decree at Athens—Berlin Reports Dissatisfaction Among Russian Troops in Caucasus Due to Hardships and Poor Equipme—Paris Reports Capture of Several Towns from Austria by Montenegrin Troops—Aged King of Serbia Reached Brindisi, Italy, Where he was Taken Ashore From Crown in an Arm Chair—Refused to Leave His Army Until Led by the Crown Prince.**

London, Dec. 27.—The British forces turned back the advancing Turkish troops with heavy losses to the attackers Saturday at Kut-el-Amara, in Turkish Asia, according to an official report of General Townsend from Delhi, made public here today. The report says that 800 Turks were killed or wounded and that the British casualties were less than two hundred.

The disbanding of two classes of the Greek troops now held to their colors, has been ordered by a royal decree, says an Athens dispatch.

The French commander at Saloniki today announces that the defenders there are ready to meet any attack and says the place is virtually impregnable.

Dissatisfaction among the Russian troops in Caucasus is reported from advices reaching Berlin, which say that the Russian army is demoralized by hardships and poor equipment. Berlin advices say that M. Gounaris, whose party won the recent Greek elections, has renounced his claim to the premiership and will support the Skouloudis ministry.

The capture of several towns by Montenegrins from the Austrians is reported from Paris official advices.

**Serbian King in Italy**  
Brindisi, Italy, Dec. 27.—The aged King Peter of Serbia today reached here on an Italian cruiser and was brought ashore in an arm chair, so weakened was the aged monarch from the rough voyage. He had refused to leave the crushed Serbian army until appealed to by the crown prince, who persuaded him to regain his strength that he might later return at the head of a reorganized army.

**Russians Win Victory.**  
Petrograd, Dec. 27.—The defeat by the Russians of a large force of Austro-Turkish troops in Persia is officially reported today. Several thousand Persian insurgents were among the defeated forces, who lost several positions.

**Plan British Conscription.**  
London, Dec. 27.—A cabinet council will be held today and it is expected it will make a decision on the question of whether the results of the Derby scheme of recruitment justify continued adherence to the voluntary system, or whether some form of conscription will become necessary. This council should have been held Friday, but David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, was engaged in an important munitions mission in the Clyde district, hence the postponement until today.

The Times suggests this morning that the conscriptionists are in a majority in the cabinet, and that, should conscription be decided upon, some anti-conscription ministers will resign. They, however, will not go to

## WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., Dec. 27.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight and Tuesday is fair. Colder tonight in the eastern portion.

Little Business Helps: Want Ads.

## DEAD MAN IDENTIFIED

**Man Shot at Mingo Tex., Identified as A. P. Nelson.**

Denton, Tex., Dec. 27.—The man killed Saturday night by J. T. Baker in the latter's store at Mingo, was today identified as A. P. Nelson of Winnsboro.

Nelson was hit by six pistol bullets and died instantly.

## CREW WON LOTTERY PRIZE

**Crew of Spanish Cruiser to Divide More Than Million.**

Peppol, Spain, Dec. 27.—The government lottery prize of \$1,200,000, which was drawn Christmas, was won by the crew of the Alfonso 13, who paid \$200 for the ticket. The money will be distributed among the crew of 719 men.

## ASKS RECEIVER FOR THE T. & P. RAILROAD

**PETITION FILED IN THE UNITED STATES COURT AT DALLAS ASKS RECEIVERSHIP FOR FAILURE TO PAY INTEREST.**

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 27.—A receivership for the Texas & Pacific Railway company is asked in a petition filed in the United States court here today by attorneys for the Bank and Trust company of New York. Default in payment of interest on bonds is alleged. The hearing has been set for January 31. The railroad will contest the receivership.

## FRENCH VESSEL TORPEDOED BY A SUBMARINE

**DE LA CICTAT WITH PASSENGERS SUNK LAST FRIDAY—MOST OF PASSENGERS BELIEVED TO BE SAFE.**

Paris, Dec. 27.—The French steamer Villa de la Cictat, with passengers, was torpedoed and sunk December 24 by a submarine, according to an announcement today. Most of the passengers are reported saved, but details are still lacking.

**Belgian Vessel Sunk.**  
London, Dec. 27.—The sinking of the Belgian steamer Minister Beernaert and the possible loss of two hundred lives of her crew, was reported today. The British steamers Collingham, Hadley and Enbba are also reported to have been sunk, all their crews being saved.

## SWISS NATURALIZATION FOR REVENUE ONLY

London, Dec. 27.—Special restrictions on the use of Swiss passports are being enforced by all the entente countries, owing to the ease with which Swiss citizenship can be obtained in some sections of the little republic. The business of naturalization in Switzerland is in the hands of the municipalities, and although ordinarily two years' residence is required, this may be waived by the local authorities.

According to advices which have reached the British authorities, certain small villages near the German frontier have recently been granting naturalization to a considerable number of Germans, stipulating only that the applicants must pay \$170 in lieu of the customary residence provision.

In view of these recent naturalizations, the British authorities will hereafter require every person traveling with a Swiss passport to present also his naturalization certificate or his birth certificate. Admission will be refused to all persons naturalized since the beginning of the war.

## GUARDIANS MUST FILE REPORTS

**COUNTY JUDGE IS AFTER DELINQUENTS AND SAYS HE WILL HAVE ENTIRE BUNCH "FIRED" UNLESS LAW IS FOLLOWED.**

"I am going to see that guardians and administrators make reports according to law, or discharge the whole bunch," said County Judge Champion this morning when the question of some delinquents was called to his attention. The county judge stated further that since the dawn of statehood guardians and administrators had been in the habit of submitting their annual reports, or else not making them at all, but in the future, things are going to take a radical change for the better or there would be some changes made in so far as he was concerned. Mr. Champion cited several cases where guardians had retained control of the property of the heirs until long after they had become of age, and stated that he was going over the records carefully and any such cases are going to be disposed of immediately.

The probate business of Carter county has been exceptionally heavy since statehood, and the county judge has his hands full taking care of the business. In view of the number of cases on file, the business has been kept pretty well up, but the county judge is very anxious that all reports be made to date and is insisting that guardians and administrators comply with the law.

## PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS WAS OPENED TODAY

**REPRESENTATIVES VOICE SENTIMENT OF PRESIDENT WILSON TO SUPPLEMENT MONROE DOCTRINE WITH PAN-AMERICANISM**

Washington, Dec. 27.—The Pan-American congress opened its session here today with virtually all representatives from countries of the western hemisphere voicing the sentiment recently enunciated by President Wilson in his address to congress, to supplement the Monroe Doctrine with "Pan-Americanism."

The delegates were received by the secretary of state and addresses delivered.

## FIND NEW USE FOR OLD NEWSPAPERS

Amsterdam, Dec. 27.—"Don't burn your old newspapers; save them," urges Prof. Hugo Mehnert in the Hamburg Narchrichten.

The professor explains that he is perfecting a scheme for turning paper waste into a substitute for straw which is largely used as fodder, but also in fresh ways after treatment by chemical processes.

"So we come to this," adds Prof. Mehnert, "that the masses of old newspapers which have already fed men's minds in town and country, will then feed cattle, and old brown paper and cardboard boxes will yield milk and beef steak."

## Prisoner Dies in Jail.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 26.—Early this morning a prisoner in the city jail was found dead by his companions. Today he was identified as Doc Stout, who has been in Fort Worth for many years. Last night he was taken to headquarters highly intoxicated and unconscious. His name at that time was unknown. A brother, W. E. Stout, of El Reno, Okla., has been notified, but no reply has been received.

## TO MAKE TAGS AT PEN.

**About 43,000 Tags for Automobiles Needed by Department.**

Oklahoma City, Dec. 26.—Arrangements are being made by the state board of public affairs to manufacture tags for use of the state highway department at the penitentiary at McAlester. It is hoped to make those required for 1916 licenses for automobiles and motor vehicles in the prison factory. The total order for tags for next year will be 43,000, of which at least 32,000 will be for automobiles privately owned. The cost of a plant to make these tags in the state prison will be about \$5,000.

Owners who have paid their automobile tax for 1915 will pay for next year at the rate of one a horse power. Owners who pay for the first time next year will pay 50c.

## NO WARNING WAS GIVEN TO JAP LINER

**REPORT FROM AMERICAN CONSUL AT PORT SAID SAYS YASAKA MARU WAS SUNK WITHOUT WARNING.**

Washington, Dec. 27.—No warning was given the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, which was torpedoed by a submarine last Tuesday in the Mediterranean, says a report from American Consul Bristow at Port Said today.

No attempt to escape was made, says the report.

## TO SELL OKLAHOMA TIMES

**Sale Will Be Conducted by Trustee on Dec. 31.**

Oklahoma City, Dec. 26.—Sale of the property of the Oklahoma City Times, a daily afternoon newspaper, of this city, will be made by the trustee under a deed of trust, on Dec. 31. As the bonds under which the sale is to be made amount to a sum very much in excess of the probable value of the property, based upon its recent showing in earnings and expenses, it is the general belief that the plant will be purchased by persons connected with the bondholders. Among the bondholders are the principal officers of the corporation that owns the Daily Oklahoman, the morning democratic newspaper of this city.

## HUERTA HAS BAD CHRISTMAS.

**Tells Guards of Holidays of Two Years Ago.**

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 26.—A prisoner of the United States government, sick from his long confinement at Fort Bliss and despondent over his fate, General Victoriano Huerta spent today in bed. He is a prisoner at Fort Bliss and made no effort to celebrate Christmas. His Christmas dinner was the regular prison fare. He told his guards of the Christmas two years ago when he was provisional president and received the homage of the capital at the national palace.

## Sheriff Rescues Deputy.

Mountain Home, Ark., Dec. 26.—Sheriff Hurst returned here Sunday night with Deputy Sheriff Alonzo Trimble, whose life was threatened after he had shot and fatally wounded Howard Avery, a mountain farmer, yesterday morning. Avery died late last night. His friends had threatened to lynch Trimble, who sent a telephone message asking Sheriff Hurst to come to his rescue. Sheriff Hurst said the mountaineers did not attempt to molest him. He placed Trimble under arrest pending investigation of the shooting of Avery. Trimble said that Avery resisted arrest when the deputy sheriff tried to quell a disturbance at a Christmas celebration yesterday afternoon.

## North Texas Shivers, Too.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 27.—There is a cold north here today, which is reported as being general over North Texas.

## LYNCHING AT MUSKOGEE AVERTED

**TWO NEGROES WHO HAD KILLED CITY POLICEMAN, MAKE NARROW ESCAPE WITH THEIR LIVES.**

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 26.—For five hours Sunday night state militia, with fixed bayonets and orders to shoot to kill, stood around the Muskogee county jail while a mob of white men surged back and forth, but never with sufficient strength and determination to force its way into the jail to seize and inflict summary punishment upon two negroes, Willie Green and Mathis Foreman, accused of the murder of Policeman Sam Neel of the city police early Sunday morning.

The end to the situation came after the mob, ranging in numbers from 200 to 5,000 men at various hours during the night, had been thrice driven back from the jail by the militiamen and the negroes were spirited away in the uniforms of militiamen and taken from the city on a train, presumably bound for the state penitentiary at McAlester.

The most determined effort of the mob was made at 8:30 Sunday night, when a hundred men armed with a heavy railroad rail, charged through the cordon of troops, swept aside the outer guard of armed deputies and battered down the outer door of the jail.

When it became known that the negroes, under heavy guard, were safely out of the city, the troops were withdrawn, the mob was permitted to search the jail and it immediately afterward quietly dispersed.

## BENEVOLENT SOCIETY SERVE FIFTY-FOUR

**WITH BASKETS AND DINNERS ON CHRISTMAS DAY—OFFICERS HAVE THE WORK WELL IN HAND.**

Mrs. Kahn, president of the benevolent society, and Mrs. Curtis, probation officer, who has more to do than most any other woman in town, are very happy today over the way the citizens of the city responded to their appeals for help, making it possible for this Christmas to pass without a single empty stocking, so far as they have been able to find out.

Christmas day the society served fifty-four families with a sumptuous Christmas dinner, and besides, sent toys and candies to all children who were reported to them. They had ample to supply all, and if anyone was overlooked it was not the fault of the benevolent society.

## TO WORK CONVICTS ON ROADS.

**Start Will Be Made in Pottawatomie County About March 1.**

Oklahoma City, Dec. 26.—It has been decided by the governor and state board of affairs that there will be no road building by aid of state prisoners in this state until next spring. It had been arranged to place a large number of the prisoners on road construction in Pottawatomie county immediately after the new year, but the prospect that inclement weather will cause loss of time and expense to the state through such has led to the postponement of the experiment. In the meantime, the state board of public affairs has been making arrangements for the tools, implements, housing and commissary in the camps, and the effort to build roads with prison labor will be started about March 1 under the most favorable auspices.

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